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The first agenda item in this afternoon's meeting deals with a review of Flat-Rate Per Diem proposals. The Agency is generally supportive of any legislation that will implement Flat-Rate policy, especially if it includes an increase in per diem rates and comparable new travel policies. Below, you will find an input from the Office of Finance which sets forth why we find Flat-Rate policies attractive;

FLAT RATE ADVANTAGES

1. Accounting time required by the traveler: greatly reduced.
2. Requirement for receipts: eliminated.
3. Storage, handling and verification of information: essentially eliminated.
4. OF/OP processor time: greatly diminished.
5. Appeals and questions by the travelers: greatly reduced.
6. Temptation to fudge!!!: eliminated.
7. Morale of the troops: significantly improved.
8. The DA: seen as streamlining the system and helpful.

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